the estimated rates. For the lowest tenders in respect of the Trichur, Mukundapuram and Talappalli Taluks an additional amount of Rs. 2,128 will be required. The work in the Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk is proposed to be executed departmentally as no tenders were received. The amount available for this work is Rs. 913. On the basis of other Taluks it is expected that a sum of Rs. 472 more will be required. Thus a sum of Rs. 2,600 will altogether be required to complete the thatching of houses in all the Taluks. There are no savings to meet this expenditure. Funds are not available for re-appropriation. I request the House may be pleased to sanction these allotments.

Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli)*; On a point of information, Sir, may I know how many new houses are going to be constructed.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)*: This is not for constructing new houses, but for thatching the houses.

Demands put and carried

16. Rs. 300 under "10. Stamps—Miscellaneous"

Rama Varmha Tampuran M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government)*: I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 300 under "10—Stamps—Miscellaneous".

The budget grant under "10—Stamps—Miscellaneous" is Rs. 900. Out of this an amount of Rs. 540 has already been spent. The balance amount of Rs. 360 will not be sufficient to meet the requirements for the remaining six months of the year. The Counters had to be sent a larger number of times with stamps and stamp papers to the Taluk Treasuries and this is the main reason for the insufficiency of the allotment. Besides there is also the prevalent all-round increase in transport charges. I request the House may be pleased to sanction this allotment.

Demand put and carried

17. Rs. 450 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—T. A. of the Minister and his staff"

Rama Varmha Tampuran M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government)*: Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 450 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—T. A. of the Minister and his staff".

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Mr. President, I move that the allotment of Rs. 450 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—T. A. of the Minister and his staff" be reduced by one rupee.

Mr. President: Before the Hon'ble Member begins his observations, I must remind him that he will not be in order unless he confines his remarks to the subject of the Minister's travelling allowance. It is open to him under his notice to urge the Government to place larger sums of money at the disposal of the Minister for travelling allowance.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: If that is the scope of the discussion, then, Sir, the purpose that I have in mind will not be served, and so I will explore other ways to achieve this.

Mr. President: I am afraid the Hon'ble Member will not be able to achieve his object on this Supplementary demand.

Demand put and carried

18. Rs. 2,150 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—T. A. of the officers of the Secretariat".

19. Rs. 720 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariate—Office Expenses".

20. Rs. 26, 840 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—Miscellaneous".

Rama Varmha Tampuran M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government)*: Sir, I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 2150 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—T. A. of the officers of the Secretariat". The allotment is necessitated by the increase in the number of journeys and also by the revision of the travelling allowance rates.

Mr. President: I suggest that the Hon'ble Member to move the next two items as well.

Rama Varmha Tampuran M.B.E. *(Secretary to Government)*: Sir, I move for additional allotments of Rs. 720 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—Office Expenses" and Rs. 26, 840 under "15—1—Huzur Secretariat—Miscellaneous". The latter is on account of the impending election charges. I request that the House may be pleased to vote these grants.

Demands put and carried

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